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1. Jean Vincent, Geneva Partei der Arbeit (Labor Party) leader, recently returned from Prague, where he had ostensibly gone to attend the Sokol festival. He also visited Warsaw and Bucharest and conferred with President Clement Gottwald of Czechoslovakia and Romanian Foreign Minister Anna Pauker.
 2. It is reported that the Polish Legation in Bern has been officially advised that Vincent will be the Swiss representative of the Cominform political section, and that all local directives will pass through his hands.
 3. Leon Nicole, Geneva, head of the Foederation der Parteien der Arbeit, is being pushed aside but will continue to be used as PDA front man because his public antics, which tend to make the PDA seem ineffective in the eyes of the Swiss Government and public, are useful as a screen for the Party's covert activities.
 4. **Comment:** Another usually reliable source confirms Vincent's trip and his replacement of Nicole as PDA leader but is not able to confirm Vincent's designation as Cominform representative.)
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